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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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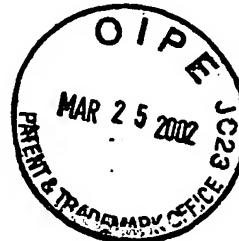
For: LATCHING DEVICE

Art Unit: 3627

Examiner: (n/a)

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE - FORMALITIES LETTER

Commissioner Of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to a Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application, dated January 22, 2002, to which a response is due by March 22, 2002 applicant hereby submits SUBSTITUTE FORMAL DRAWINGS in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84.

Attached please find:

- 1) A true copy of the Official Notice - Formalities Letter being responded to;
- 2) Substitute formal drawings 149 pages, figures 1-161.

The formalities letter also has required a filing of a missing oath or declaration with a fee of \$130. This will be mailed under separate cover with an extension of time fee as needed.

REMARKS

The Formalities Letter attached has objected to the drawings as filed as being informal, i.e., not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84. The drawings filed are being objected to and therefore are not a missing part. No surcharge fee of \$130 is due with this submission. No other